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Daily Biblical Quotation

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1919.

Previous in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints. Psa. 116:15.

The graves of all his saints he blessed,
And softened every bed.

Where should the dying members rest,
But with the dying Head?

Them also which sleep in Jesus will God
bring with him. 3 Thess. 4:14.

The latest strike threatens a false-tooth fandango. You old gummers take notice!

The air-used in automobile tires has not advanced in cost. Give thanks for that.

Something new is happening almost every day. The police authorities of a Pennsylvania town confess themselves "completely baffled."

THE NEW LABOR PARTY

The long-expected and much-talked-of labor party is at last a fact. The decision of the Chicago convention of labor delegates was to perfect a national organization, call a convention next year, and put the union labor interests in the political arena.

The principles enunciated are what might have been expected. "To organize all hand and brain workers of the country to support a political, social and industrial republic." Just where the existing republic falls short of measure up to that requirement is not stated. The point is that the phrase is sufficiently elastic to let all elements of society in on the new party, for voting purposes at least.

But some of the other principles of the new organization are not so attractive. Members of the party will be asked to contribute one day's pay to the campaign fund next year; in addition, there will be a membership tax of from 5 to 25 cents, the members in states without charters paying the maximum. Battle-scared political chieftains will make no attempt to conceal their amusement as they read this.

The Chicago convention also demands impeachment and removal of Judge Anderson, because he issued the Indianapolis injunction; endorses the initiative and referendum in national affairs; calls for the release of Eugene Debs and 1,000 other political prisoners; for the repeal of the espionage law; revision of the court-martial law and the instant pardon of the convicted bomb-thrower, Mooney. The farmers are expected to join the new party in great numbers.

Disregarding the fuming resolutions altogether we commend the movement thoroughly if the union folk feel that way about affairs in general; it is probably all right for them to get the ideas off their chests. The point we desire to make is that in putting a ticket in the field and asking for the governing mandate on a publicly stated code of political principles labor is playing a constitutional and honorable game.

From Washington comes the report that the launching of the labor party has spread panic among the politicians of the two old political organizations. "Leaders recognize," say the dispatches, "that because of industrial unrest there may be sudden changes in political sentiment which might throw the labor vote to the new party." Samuel Gompers and his cohorts have declared war on the present administration because of its course in the coal strike and there is grave danger that organized labor may be found in the ranks fighting against the democratic candidates in the next campaign.

What is more desirable from every patriotic standpoint than that labor, at least that portion adhering to the movement, should throw its vote to the new party? In that such a party should be in the field offering political solutions to those not yet so educated, protecting the non-union constitutional organizations from influences that have only made of them strumpets and political hypocrites.

If there is a major movement in America for such a program as that outlined at Chicago by the labor party authors, the sooner that fact is made known the better. Certainly it is much better that the radicals should be in an organization of their own than forcing hypocritical accommodations from parties that command a following on distinctly other lines.

The politicians of the democratic party may view with alarm the possibility of losing Mr. Gompers' influence, but we will wager the great rank and file of the party will see in that possibility cause for congratulation. Labor's principal purpose in politics is to secure class legislation and class government. We speak now of the political leaders of labor organizations.

Both the democratic and republican organiza-

tions are patriotic and constitutional in their primal purpose. The first named is wobbling now primarily because of the belief in many quarters that it is less constitutional and less patriotic than it has been believed. And it can yield further to the class agitators only at a cost that will leave it stripped of constructive supporters.

It may also be argued that the class agitators and their followers have attained in America that functional strength that serves for them the thoughts of independent political activity, they have surely insisted that the preponderant opinion of the nation is with them. A fair expression of sentiment on the part here involved cannot be had so long as those radical elements of society operate as a threat to overawing popular causes selected because of their position on distinctly different lines, instead of standing on the same platform.

Now is such a condition far to the great mass of laborers? If a man adheres to the principles of the older party he should ally himself with that party. On the other hand when a citizen votes for a representative or democratic candidate he is plausibly expressing his favor for constitutional forms and traditions, and he does not consider the man he has helped elect fits the logic to go inferior that he finds himself out of sympathy with.

The country is most decidedly better off by reason of the new party. Let all those disatisfied with our present forms and purposes turn to it whether they would or not. He mere organization leaves free the old political parties to pursue their way along constitutional and patriotic lines—those to exercise the governing mandate, the other to act as a stabilizing influence and a constant deterrent against governmental excesses, but the form of government and national traditions live in the hands of either.

"Whose prince is it, yours or ours?" In this London comment upon the warmth with which we have taken Edward Albert to our multitudinous bosom, a fine satire humor mingles with the British subject's joy in our capitulation.

If the pert London paragraph, who asked the question touching the proprietorship of the prince, wants an answer from the great west, where the real heart of America throbs true to the traditions of this great republic we can answer it truly. And in doing so we shall not disonor a guest but honor ourselves and our progenitors.

We believe, after reading the Times' editorial, that there is extant, in the vicinity of Times square at least, a disposition to claim as joint proprietorship in the young man who but recently was amongst us—if not that, then certainly a regretful note that we, too, do not possess the saucy and purple artificialities that he typifies.

After concluding the Times' editorial on "our prince" we were not at all shocked to discover another秉承ing the rejection of the league and characterizing those splendid Americans who stood for its Americanization as the "bation of death."

But in neither the one instance or the other does the Times speak the voice of America!

VS TO THE YELLOW PRESS

You have heard much of it. It exists—has existed—for several years. And its sins are heinous and many. If it were possible to trail the red heat of today to its lair we would probably find the trail leading back to the saffron-hued newspapers—that has from the first been destructive and never constructive. All this is but a single application of the rule. There are many others.

LET'S GO

Put 100 men on an island where fish is a staple article of sustenance. Twenty-five of the men catch fish. Twenty-five others clean the fish. Twenty-five cook the fish. Twenty-five hunt fruit and vegetables. The entire company eats what thus is gathered and prepared.

So long as everybody works there is plenty. All hands are happy.

Ten of the alleged fish catchers stop catching fish.

Ten more dry and hide part of the fish they catch.

Five continue to catch fish, but work only part of the day.

Lower fish go into the community kitchen. But the same number of men insist upon having the same amount of fish to eat as they had before.

The former who formerly cleaned and cooked the fish have less to do owing to the under-supply of fish. But they continue to demand food.

Increasingly greater burdens are laid upon the fruit and vegetable hunters. These insist upon a large share of fish in return for their larger efforts in gathering fruit and vegetables. It is denied them and soon 20 of the 25 quit gathering fruit and vegetables.

But the entire 100 men continue to insist upon their right to eat.

The daily food supply gradually shrinks. The man with two fish demands three bananas in exchange for one of them. The man with two bananas refuses to part with one for fewer than three fish.

Finally the 10 men remaining at work quit in disgust. Everybody continues to eat. The hidden fish are brought to light and consumed. Comes a day when there is no food of any kind. Everybody on the island blames everybody else.

What would seem to be the solution? Exactly! We thought you would guess it.

For we repeat that you can't eat, buy, sell, steal, give away, hoard, wear, use, play with or gamble with WHAT ISN'T—Chicago Herald and Examiner.

A BAD TAX POLICY

The custom of exempting any form of wealth from taxation is bad. There is not only immorality in the practice, but an utter lack of political sagacity in the theory.

If it were possible for any one to get something for nothing this exemption theory might be justified. Or if it were possible to exempt an interest from taxation and at the same time relieve other interests of the burden of affording the exempted interest the protection of government—then the theory might stand up.

But all this is impossible.

It is clearly true that a special favor to any interest imposes something more than a just burden on other interests. Government, if it be just, and that is at least the theory of our own government, is impartial in the protection it affords its subjects or citizens. It follows with unerring logic that the cost of this protection should be distributed quite as impartially.

In order to make it possible to loan money to the farmers through the federal bank at 4 or 5% per cent it was necessary to make the a per cent bond of the bank non-taxable. Whatever the theory might have been in practice these securities find their way into the strong boxes of the excessively wealthy individual. Therefore the consuming millions, which make up the average citizenship, are forced to pay something more than their just portion in order to make up for the special favor to the farmers.

This is but a single application of the rule. There are many others.

Oklahoma Outbursts

By OTIS LORTON

Senator Gore's buoyant spirits do not indicate that Col. Elmer has him the least bit scared.

The girl on South Main has asked Anna Eva to show her how to handle the young man who persists in making the gas meter walk over time.

The ultra pacifists were and are yellow. The mauldin sentimentalists are yellow, and they have ever been. The faddists who go in for social uplifting are yellow. Every man or woman who permits his or her mind to turn to speculative sociology or speculative politics and loses sight of practical difficulties in the way, is yellow. And the individual who instead of accepting the buntum God created, and attempting to make the best of it, mounts for a world that only mortal beings are capable of composing and enduring, is yellow.

There isn't a tinge of the saffron or even pale pink in the practical, constructive minds that exist today. Nor was there in those few minds that have surmounted for humanity the barriers between the face day of the chinchorros-cats and the age of super civility.

The high and mighty newspaper reporter has observed that coffee is 10 cents a cup. This column has been paying that price for several weeks and thought it a conservative price when compared with a cup of tepid water sold from

Next in running the government according to the plans and specifications laid down by Mr. Wilson, the hardest job we know of is trying to open a drain pipe after a hard rain.

When a cold wave strikes town the gas company always expresses surprise. We want to know if now that a cold wave is on the way and that it had better look up another alibi.

A number of Tulsa young men and some of the old ones who were able to enjoy jolly companions on a joy ride Sunday on the representation that it was just a musing party.

An evangelist was injured in an airplane accident here the other day. We like to think the Lord of all does not look with favor upon the plane and while the general desire of the community is to keep the man free from even the semblance of political manipulation.

It is possible that some misguided friend may try to induce Governor Smith to replace Justice Laughlin, who happens to be a republican, with a member of the democratic party. This we cannot believe.

The governor will do his best to abide by the decision of the general election of the state. The people of New York in electing the courts free from even the semblance of political manipulation.

New York Top With Plenty Kick.

You can buy a German mark now for a little less than three cents, but any one who has three cents had better invest it in something else.

It Won't Buy Anything, Either.

You can buy a German mark now for a little less than three cents, but any one who has three cents had better invest it in something else.

It Knows Lot About It.

William Jennings Bryan warns the Labor party not to seek office but what does he know about office?

For Justice Laughlin.

Many judges of Many Decisions.

It is raining on the Volstead enforcement men and the federal courts are not of one mind.

Knoxville Journal and Tribune.

Never Gave Victims D. T.'s.

They for some reason do not appear that the soft drinks still give consumers anything that will enable the drinker to remain in business.

Chicago News.

Always on Tap With Plenty Kick.

The prohibition law, we notice, doesn't keep trouble from brewing Columbia State.

Speaking Zero in Values.

Germans may be now worth almost as much as an iron cross.

Wall Street Journal.

Consumer Will Do Reciting.

Reciting is to be asked for Kansan coal miners. They do not recite.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Still, He Never Grows From Dull.

Governor Calvin Coolidge may not care to be a candidate for president but people will talk—Independent Journal and Tribune.

Republicans Ever Think of That?

The mere fact that President Wilson wants something is not an argument against it—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Solemn, But Hardly Sweet.

It is a sweet-sounding name that one can, if one must, go without sugar—Chicago News.

Steinway Grandeur, the power and ideal beauty of the tone, and the perfection of touch and mechanism of Steinway Pianos is unbounded.—J. J. Padewski.